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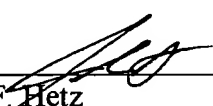
Pursuant to the obligation under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.99, Applicants hereby submit reference A1 listed on the attached form PTO-1449 for consideration by the Examiner. A copy of this reference is provided herewith.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of this document and make it of record.

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Respectfully submitted,

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